substantial progress and to earmark outlays to important projects. Selected projects are monitored to remove bottlenecks.

Members of Agricultural costs and prices Commission

*173. SHRI RAM RATAN RAM:
DR. SHRIKANT
RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) who are the present members of the Agricultural Costs and Prices Commission;

(b) what are their qualifications;

(c) by when will their term expire; and

(d) what steps Government propose to take so that true representatives of the farmers are appointed on the Commission?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (DR. BALRAM JAKHAR): (a) to (c):

S No.	Name of the Members with their Designation	Qualification	Date of Expiry of term as Member
1	Prof S.S Acharya Chairman	M.Sc (Agriculture) Ph. D. (Agricultural Economics)	27-7-1996
2	Dr V.M. Rao Member (Official)	M.A Economics Ph D Economics One Year Post Doctoral work at Universty of Chicago	15-4-1995
3	Member (Official —Vacant		
4	Shri Rajinder Kumar Member (Non-Official)	They represent farmers in the Commission and posses wide experience in growing various agricultural crops	27-7-1997
5	Shri Gurnaib Singh Brar Member (Non-Official)		28-7-1997
6	Sh. V.V.R Partha Saradhi Member (non-Official)		19-9-1997
7	Dr. S.M. Jharwal Member Secretaty	M.A (Economics) Ph. D. (Economics)	He is the Member of the Indian Economic Service and his appoinment is on regular basis

(d) In view of the farmer's representation already in the Commission, Question does not arise.

Consumption of Fertilizer

*174. SHRI P. UPENDRA:
-SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the expected consumption of various kinds of fertilizers in the current year;

(b) the amount of subsidy spent by Government on various kinds of fertilizers; and

(c) the local production of different kinds of fertilizers and the imported quantity of different kinds of fertilizers?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (DR. BALRAM JAKHAR): (a) to (c): The table below gives the expected consumption, production and imports of

different kinds of fertilisers in the country during the current year 1994-95:

(Lakh tonnes)

Name of fertiliser	Consumption	Production (April 94 to February 95	Imports @@
Urea	172.80	129.45	26.84 (upto 28-2-95)
Di-Ammonium phosphate (DAP) .	36.86	25.75	8.25 (approximate upto 31-12-94)
Muriate of Potash (MOP) . . .	13.20	..	15.45 (Approximate upto 31-12-94
Single Super Phosphate (SSP) . .	23.25	23.76	..
Complexes	35.41	31.76	..
Other straight Nitrogenous Fertilisers	10.86	11.73	..

@@Imports of DAP and MOP are decanalised. The budgetary provision for subsidy on fertilisers for 1994-95 is Rs. 5166 crores. In addition, Rs. 250 crores has so far been provided for concessional sale of decontrolled phosphatic asd potassic fertilisers.

Privatisation of Education

*175. SHRI K. R. MALKANI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the new policies of privatisation of education as reported in the Press on Februry, 18, 1995;

(b) what exactly does Government propose to do to encourage private initiative and voluntary efforts in the field of education; and

(c) whether Government propose to make all donations to private educational institutions tax-free?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) The Government policy in regard to involvement of private sector is enunciated in the National Policy on Education, 1986 as updated in 1992. Inter alia, the Policy envisages that the nation as a whole will assume the responsibility of providing resource support for implementing programmes of educational transformation, reducing disparity, univeralisation of elementary education, adult literacy, scientific and technological research etc. The Policy further provides that non-Government and voluntary effort including social activist groups will be encouraged subject to proper management. In particular an alternative system will be devised to involve private and voluntary effort in technical and professional education in conformity with accepted norms and goals. Since 1993-94, Section 80 G of the Income-tax Act provides for 100 per cent deduction for donations made to universities and institutions of national importance. In the Budget 1995-96, the Income-tax Act is proposed to be amended to allow 100 per cent deduction for donation made to the Zilla Saksharata Samitis for primary and adult education.

Committee for Youth Programme

*176. SHRI JOYANTA ROY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have constituted any Committee for youth programme; and